Issue	O CA Health and H Description	Assembly	Senate	Difference	Conference Action
4130-	-001-0632 CA Health and Hun	nan Services <i>I</i>	Agency Data	Center	
002	Data Center Rate Reforms.	0	0	0	
	Assembly took no action on this issue.				
	Senate adopted Budget Bill and trailer bill language to require the Data Center to report annually to the Department of				

Elimination of the Statewide Fingerprint Imaging System.

rates.

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Will conform to issues 210 and 212 of Item 5180-141-0001.

operation costs reflected in its rates, and for DOF to review and approve the Data Center's 4130 CA Health and Human Services Agency Data Center

Issue	Description	Assembly	Senate	Difference	Conference Action
211 212	HHSDC Operations Workload Increase.	2,160,000	962,000	1,198,000	
	Assembly adopted a May Revision request for 12.2 new positions and \$2.2 million to fund increased operational costs and staffing to support increased workload.				
	Senate approved funding for hardware costs and rejected the requested staffing increases.				
214	Child Welfare Services Case Management System.	0	-8,949,000	8,949,000	
	Will conform to issues 211 and 212 of Item 5180-151-0001.				

4140	Office Statewide Health Planning and Development
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Issue Description Assembly Senate Difference Conference Action

4140-001-0001 Office Statewide Health Planning and Development

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4140-101-0143

O01 Song Brown Family Physician Training Program.

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Assembly adopted Governor's Budget, which provides General Fund support for the Song Brown Family Physician Training Program.

Senate shifted program costs to the CA Health Data and Planning Fund and adopted uncodified trailer bill language to require OSHPD to develop alternative funding strategies to provide long-term stability and non-General Fund support for the Song Brown program.

4170	Department of A	ging			
Issue		Assembly	Senate	Difference	Conference Action
_	-001-0001 Department of Agin -101-0001	g			
001	Block Grant Aging Programs.	1,680,000	0	1,680,000	
	Assembly rejected the proposed block grant for aging programs, restored positions for program oversight, and restored funding.				
	Senate rejected the proposed block grant for aging programs and achieved the associated				

savings by eliminating funding

positions and reducing program

for the Senior Companion program, eliminating 1.5

funding by \$1.1 million.

4170 **Department of Aging**

Issue	Description	Assembly	Senate	Difference	Conference Action
002	Improve Coordination of Aging Services and Funding.	0	0	0	
	Assembly did not take an action on this issue.				
	Senate adopt trailer bill language to prohibit denial of aging services to otherwise eligible persons who are receiving IHSS and to improve coordination of services and funding to maximize cost effectiveness to the state.				

4200	Dep	artment	of Alcoho	l and I	Drug	Programs
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Issue Description Assembly Senate Difference Conference Action

4200-101-0001 Department of Alcohol and Drug Programs

030 County Pilot Projects.

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Assembly redirected one-time federal fund savings to support county pilot programs that will serve adolescents with substance abuse problems. (\$145,000 is payable from 4200-101-0890.)

Senate took no similar action.

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Department of Alcohol and Drug Programs Difference Conference Action Description Assembly **Issue** Senate 215 **Dependency Drug Courts.** 0 0 0 Assembly redirected \$250,000 in county discretionary SAPT funds and appropriated \$250,000 from the Children's Trust Fund to support

examine their impact on the foster care program outcomes. (\$250,000 is payable from 4200-101-0890 and \$250,000 is payable from 4200-601-0995.)

development of dependency drug court programs and

Senate appropriated \$250,000 from the Children's Trust Fund to support dependency drug court programs. (\$250,000 is payable from 4200-601-0995.)

Department of Alcohol and Drug Programs

Issue Description Assembly Senate Difference Conference Action

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4200-104-0001 Department of Alcohol and Drug Programs

020 Women's and Children's Residential Treatment Services.

Assembly adopted trailer bill language to provide set-aside funding until 2010 for the Women and Children's Residential Treatment Services program, which funds nine perinatal programs that deliver comprehensive services to pregnant and parenting women.

Senate took no similar action.

4260	Department of Health	Services

Issue Description Assembly Senate Difference Conference Action

4260-001-0001 Department of Health Services—State Support

225 State Staff for Medi-Cal Redesign Activities.

Assembly approved as budgeted 16 positions and \$3.2 million (\$1.5 million General Fund) for the DHS to conduct Medi-Cal redesign activities.

Senate rejected the request since the Administration is deferring discussions on Medi-Cal redesign issues until August. As such, the need for resources is unclear at this time.

(Reduction of \$1,642,000 from Item 4260-101-0890).

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Issue	Description	Assembly	Senate	Difference	Conference Action
251	State Staff for the Federal Medicare Prescription Drug, Improvement and Modernization Act.	151,000	92,130	58,870	
	Assembly approved the May Revision to provide \$437,000 (\$151,000 General Fund) and 5 positions to conduct activities associated with the federal Act. (\$42,000 payable from Item 4260-001-0834, and \$244,000 payable from Item 4260-001-0890).				
	Senate provided only three positions and \$266,650 (\$92,130 General Fund) based on an analysis of workload that would need to be completed in the upcoming year. (\$42,000 payable from Item 4260-001-0834, and \$132,520 payable from Item 4260-001-0890).				

Issue	Description	Assembly	Senate	Difference	Conference Action
261	State Staff for Conducting Non-Contract Hospital Audits.	0	-1,149,000	1,149,000	
	Assembly approved as budgeted an increase of \$4.7 million (\$2.4 million General Fund) and 41 positions to conduct additional audits of non-contract hospitals, including home offices located outside of the state. (\$2,355,000 payable from Item 4260-101-0890).				
	Senate provided 20 positions for expenditures of \$2.4 million (total funds) which results in a net reduction of \$2.3 million (\$1.1 million General Fund) from the budget. (Reduction of \$1,149,000 payable from Item 4260-101-0890).				

Issue	Description	Assembly	Senate	Difference	Conference Action
497	Requested Augmentation for West Nile Virus.	977,000	0	977,000	
	Assembly approved the May Revision to provide \$977,000 (General Fund) to fund two state positions and an external contract to conduct analyses regarding the West Nile Virus.				
	Senate rejected the proposal because (1) the DHS has communicable disease positions it could redirect for this effort, and (2) other resources should be used for mosquito abatement and research activities.				

Issue	Description	Assembly	Senate	Difference	Conference Action
228	Trailer Bill Language: Treatment Authorization Requests (TARs) for Medi-Cal Program Services.	0	0	0	
	Assembly adopted DHS trailer bill language which (1) grants authority to the director of the DHS to use a sampling methodology for TAR processing and (2) enables the DHS to implement this law immediately through means of provider bulletins and letters.				
	Senate adopted modified language which requires the director to (1) use sampling methodology based on health care industry standards, (2) implement by no later than July 1, 2005, and (3) pursue additional means to improve and streamline the TAR process as noted.				

Issue	Description	Assembly	Senate	Difference	Conference Action
492	Budget Bill Language: Unallocated Reduction for Radiologic Control Program Expenditures.	0	0	0	
	Assembly approved as proposed language which enables the DHS to reduce by \$6 million (Radiation Control Fund) the Radiologic Control Program, unless fee revenues rise above \$12 million which is the revised level of available program funding.				
	Senate rejected this language because (1) the January budget projected expenditures of \$18.4 million (Radiologic Control Fund), or about 30 percent higher, (2) it is unknown how the reduction would be taken or its potential consequences, and (3) if additional fee revenue will be generated in the upcoming year through pending regulations.				

reimbursement of contractors.

Issue	Description	Assembly	Senate	Difference	Conference Action
360	Budget Bill Language: DHS Contracting Process.	0	0	0	
	Senate adopted Budget Bill Language to require the DHS to notify the Legislature by November 1, 2004 as to what actions have been taken to improve the department's overall contracting process. This language is in response to concerns regarding the timely finalization of contracts and the				

Issue	Description	Assembly	Senate	Difference	Conference Action
306	Statutorily Required Adjustment for the Nuclear Planning Assessment Special Account.	0	0	0	
	Assembly did not consider the Finance Letter request to provide a cost-of-living-adjustment for the nuclear planning assessment special account as required by Section 8610.5 of the Government Code. These funds are used by the DHS to coordinate with the OES regarding the State Nuclear Power Plant Emergency Response Plan.				
	Senate adopted as proposed.				
	(\$14,000 payable from Item 4260-001-0029).				

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Issue	Description	Assembly	Senate	Difference	Conference Action
380	Richmond Laboratory Information Technology Processing.	0	-424,000	424,000	
	Assembly approved as budgeted an increase of \$1.250 million (total funds) for computer equipment and software.				
	(\$18,000 payable from Item 4260-001-0080, \$20,000 payable from Item 4260-001-0177, \$58,000 payable from Item 4260-001-0099, \$69,000 payable from Item 4260-001-0075, \$28,000 from Item 4260-001-0306, \$633,000 payable from Item 4260-001-0890, and \$424,000 payable from Item 4260-001-0001).				
	Senate approved the special fund amounts but deleted the General Fund portion for savings of \$424,000 (General Fund).				
Item	(\$18,000 payable from Item 4260-001-0080, \$20,000 payable from Item 4260-001-0177, \$58,000 payable from Item 4260-001-0099, \$69,000 payable from Item 4260-001-0075, \$28,000 from Item 4260-001-0306, and \$633,000 payable from Item 4260-001-0306.				Page

Issue	Description	Assembly	Senate	Difference	Conference Action
224	Trailer Bill Language: Extend 250 Percent Working Disabled Program.	0	0	0	
	Senate adopted trailer bill language to extend the sunset date from April 1, 2005 to September 1, 2008 for the 250 Percent Working Disabled Program whereby individuals who meet certain requirements may buy into the Medi-Cal Program. The budget already includes funding for this program but did not include trailer bill language to extend the sunset.				

Issue	Description	Assembly	Senate	Difference	Conference Action
440	Trailer Bill Language: Tobacco Control Program Funding.	0	0	0	
	Assembly approved the DHS trailer bill language to repeal existing statutory authority for the DHS Tobacco Control Program to expend Proposition 99 Funds (Health Education Account) for three-years beyond the date of appropriation.				
	Senate rejected the proposal because (1) the funds can only be used for specified purposes and cannot be used to backfill for General Fund support, and (2) due to the nature of the antitobacco media buys funds cannot always be expended by the end of a particular fiscal year.				

Issue	Description	Assembly	Senate	Difference	Conference Action
307	Trailer Bill Language: Authorize Counties to Charge \$2 Fee to Fund Local Domestic Violence Prevention Programs.	0	0	0	
	Assembly adopted trailer bill language authorizing counties to implement a \$2 fee on vital statistics documents in order to fund local domestic violence prevention programs.				
309	Budget Bill Language: Technical Correction to Budget.	0	0	0	
	Senate adopted language to correct a date contained within the budget regarding the length of time the DHS has to expend federal bioterriorism funds (i.e., June 30, 2005).				

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Issue	Description	Assembly	Senate	Difference	Conference Action
401	State Staff for the Genetic Disease Testing Branch.	0	0	0	
	Assembly approved a Finance Letter to provide 7 positions and \$394,000 (Genetic Disease Testing Fund) to conduct administrative work related to an existing backlog, as well as- on-going workload, related to customer service and fee collection. (\$394,000 payable from Item 4260- 001-0203).				
	Senate rejected the proposal because the DHS (1) eliminated 9 positions from this branch through the current-year Budget Control Section 4.1 process, and (2) could not articulate how it can improve its existing fee collection process to make it more efficient. (Reduction of \$394,000 from Item 4260-001-0203).				

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Issue Description Assembly Senate Difference Conference Action

4260-011-0001 Department of Health Services—General Fund Loans

361 General Fund Loan for the Genetic Disease Testing Program.

Assembly approved as proposed an additional \$5 million (General Fund) loan for the Genetic Disease Testing Program.

Senate reduced the budget request by \$2 million since the Fund Condition Statement for the Genetic Disease Testing Fund shows a balance of over \$4 million in its reserve. This reduction would reduce the reserve to about \$2 million.

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4260-101-0001 Department of Health Services—The Medi-Cal Program

Issue	Description	Assembly	Senate	Difference	Conference Action
227	Trailer Bill Language & Budget Bill Language for Quality Improvement Fees for Medi-Cal Managed Care Plans.	0	0	0	
	Assembly approved as proposed a Quality Assurance Fee for managed care plans participating in Medi-Cal to (1) provide a rate adjustment, and (2) save \$12.5 million (General Fund).				
	Senate also adopted the proposal but (1) modified the trailer bill language to provide technical clarifications as needed by the plans, and (2) adopted Budget Bill Language requiring the DHS to seek a federal law change to enable all County Organized Health Systems to participate in the program.				

Issue	Description	Assembly	Senate	Difference	Conference Action
180	Three Percent Rate Increase for County Organized Health Systems (COHS).	24,599,000	15,170,000	9,429,000	
	Assembly modified the May Revision proposal, which provided a three percent rate increase for COHS effective at each plans' contract anniversary date, by increasing an additional \$18.7 million (\$9.4 million General Fund) to provide the rate increase affective as of July 1, 2004 across-the-board. (\$24,401,000 payable from Item 4260-101-0890).				
	Senate adopted the May Revision proposal for total expenditures of \$30.3 million (total funds). (\$15,096,000 payable from Item 4260-101-0890).				

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Issue	Description	Assembly	Senate	Difference	Conference Action
077A	Reduce Medi-Cal Pharmacy Expenditures.	-54,266,000	-79,266,000	25,000,000	
	Assembly modified the May Revision, which would increase the pharmacists' dispensing fee from \$4.05 to \$8.30 per prescription and reduce the drug ingredient cost by Average Wholesale Price minus 20 percent, by increasing the proposed dispensing fee to \$9.30 per prescription, or \$1 dollar more. This action decreased the net savings level by \$50 million (\$25 million General Fund). (Reduction of \$54,266,000 payable from Item 4260-101-0890).				
	Senate approved the May Revision net savings level of \$158.5 million (\$79.3 million General Fund) but modified the proposed trailer bill language to recognize the need for having more than one level of dispensing fee. (Reduction of \$79,266,000 payable from Item 4260-101-0890).				

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Issue	Description	Assembly	Senate	Difference	Conference Action
077B	Trailer Bill Language: Changes to Medical Supply Reimbursement.	0	0	0	
	Assembly adopted the May Revision trailer bill language to establish an Average Selling Price and related measures as proposed for the reimbursement of Medical Supplies. This language parallels concepts presented in the Pharmacy trailer bill language.				
	Senate rejected the trailer bill language because (1) no study has been conducted regarding the cost of dispensing medical supplies, as was done with pharmacies, (2) no savings are associated with the proposal, and (3) implementation of past-year cost containment measures in this area have yet to be fully completed.				

Issue	Description	Assembly	Senate	Difference	Conference Action
204	Trailer Bill Language: Report Quarterly on Collection of Medi-Cal Aged Drug Rebates.	0	0	0	
	Senate adopted Budget Bill Language to require the DHS to report to the Legislature on a quarterly basis on the collection of aged drug rebates under the Medi-Cal Program.				

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Issue	Description	Assembly	Senate	Difference	Conference Action
213	Trailer Bill Language: Proposed Changes to Asset Shelters and Determinations.	0	0	0	
	Assembly adopted as proposed trailer bill language that would, among other things, place additional restraints on (1) the transfer of assets to qualify for Medi-Cal, (2) the sale of annuities to individuals who are receiving institutional care, personal care, or in-home supportive services, and (3) the sheltering of assets of otherwise resource ineligible individuals. The language also grants authority to the DHS to implement these changes through the use of "all county letters", not regulations.				
	Senate rejected the trailer bill language and suggested it be sent to the policy committee process for consideration.				
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Issue	Description	Assembly	Senate	Difference	Conference Action
214	Trailer Bill Language: Develop Counterfeit-Proof Prescription Pads.	0	0	0	
	Assembly adopted as proposed trailer bill language to require all Medi-Cal Program prescriptions to be written on prescription blanks obtained from printing vendors approved by the state. No budget year savings are available.				
	Senate rejected the trailer bill language and suggested that it be sent to the policy committee process for consideration due to the need to coordinate and clarify issues with the Department of Justice, existing statute regarding special substances, and other related issues.				

Issue	Description	Assembly	Senate	Difference	Conference Action
215	Budget Bill Language: Require Submittal of the Error Rate Study Regarding Medi-Cal Anti-Fraud Efforts.	0	0	0	
	Senate adopted Budget Bill Language to require the DHS to submit a copy of the Error Rate Study to the Legislature by no later than November 1, 2004.				

Issue	Description	Assembly	Senate	Difference	Conference Action
218	Additional Savings Due to Medi-Cal Anti-Fraud Review of Delayed Checkwrite.	0	-1,000,000	1,000,000	
	Senate recognized additional savings of \$2 million (\$1 million General Fund) from the DHS' anti-fraud review efforts to be conducted as a result of the one-week delay in reimbursing for the Medi-Cal checkwrite.				
	(Reduction of \$1,000,000 from Item 4260-101-0890).				

Issue	Description	Assembly	Senate	Difference	Conference Action
225	Trailer Bill Language: State's Intent to Fund Retroactive Payments for Federally Qualified Health Centers and Rural Health Clinics in 2004-05.	0	0	0	
	Senate adopted trailer bill language to recognize the state's intent to pay 100 percent of the retroactive payments owed the clinics for January 1, 2001 through June 30, 2004 in fiscal year 2004-05.				

Issue	Description	Assembly	Senate	Difference	Conference Action
221	Trailer Bill Language: Consolidated Cost Reports for Federally Qualified Health Centers and Rural Health Centers.	0	0	0	
	Assembly adopted trailer bill language to enable all clinics to submit consolidated cost reports for purposes of calculating the rates paid under the state's prospective payment system for clinics.				
	Senate adopted trailer bill language to enable only existing clinics to submit consolidated cost reports for this purpose.				

Issue	Description	Assembly		enate	Difference		Conference Action
230	Budget Bill Language: State Funding of County Medi-Cal Eligibility Processing.		0	0		0	
	Assembly adopted the May Revision which (1) reduced by \$46 million (\$23 million General Fund) the county allocation for Medi-Cal eligibility processing, and (2) contained Budget Bill Language that would require the state to fund wage adjustments provided to county workers who conduct Medi-Cal eligibility processing at a level that does not exceed the average cost-of-living-adjustment granted to state workers or the California Necessities Index, whichever is greater. In addition, the Assembly adopted trailer bill language which conforms with the Senate.						
	Senate also adopted the savings amount but rejected the proposed Budget Bill Language, and instead, crafted trailer bill language which requires the DHS to complete a county administration cost containment plan and to work with the County Welfare Directors Association to develop options and recommendations for changing county allocation methodologies.						
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Issue	Description	Assembly	Senate	Difference	Conference Action
212	Budget Bill Language: Reporting on Medi-Cal State Plan Amendments Affecting Local Education Agencies.	0	0	0	
	Assembly adopted Budget Bill Language to require the DHS to report to the Joint Legislative Budget Committee on the potential impact to local school districts of Medi-Cal State Plan Amendments that affect their receipt of federal funds from Medi-Cal reimbursement.				

Issue	Description	Assembly	Senate	Difference	Conference Action
220	Trailer Bill Language: Long-Term Care Integration Pilot Projects.	0	0	0	
	Assembly adopted trailer bill language to amend the maximum state grant amount available for long-term care integration pilot projects and made related programmatic changes.				

Issue	Description	Assembly	Senate	Difference	Conference Action
217	Reduce Medi-Cal Fiscal Intermediary Unscheduled Projects and Funding.	0	-75,000	75,000	
	Assembly approved the May Revision which eliminated funding for unscheduled and unspecified projects.				
	Senate deleted from the budget \$150,000 (total funds) in unscheduled and unspecified projects prior to the May Revision. (Reduction of \$75,000 from Item 4260-101-0890).				

4260-111-0001 Department of Health Services—Public Health Programs

Issue	Description	Assembly	Senate	Difference	Conference Action
316	Legislative Direction Regarding Proposition 50 Bond Funds.	0	0	0	
	Assembly adopted trailer bill legislation that would allow the DHS to provide bond funds to private water companies only if legislation which allows for it is passed and chaptered in the current session.				
	Senate adopted Budget Bill Language for the same purpose.				

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Issue	Description	Assembly	Senate	Difference	Conference Action
352	Restoration of Therapeutic Monitoring Program Funding.	7,000,000	0	7,000,000	
	Assembly increased by \$7 million (General Fund) to				

Assembly increased by \$7 million (General Fund) to backfill the Therapeutic Monitoring Program which was reduced by this amount last year due to a transfer of these funds to the AIDS Drug Assistance Program which had a shortfall.

Issue	Description	Assembly	Senate	Difference	Conference Action
360 and 455	Eliminate 5 Percent Provider Rate Reduction, and Trailer Bill Language on Blood Factor Product.	3,307,000	0	3,307,000	
	Assembly (1) increased by \$3.7 million (\$3.3 million General Fund) to eliminate the 5 percent rate reduction for the California Children's Services (CCS) Program and the Genetically Handicapped Persons Program (GHPP), and (2) adopted trailer bill language to exempt blood factor products and pharmaceutical products from the provider rate reduction.				
	(\$410,000 payable from Item 4260-111-0890).				

4270	California	Medical	Assistance	Commission
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Issue Description Assembly Senate Difference Conference Action

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4270-001-0001 California Medical Assistance Commission (CMAC)

O02 Trailer Bill Language:
Amended Statute to Include
the Legislative Analyst's
Office as an Ex-Officio
Member of CMAC.

Senate adopted trailer bill language to include the LAO as an ex-officio member of the CMAC, in the same manner as the DOF and the Department of Health Services.

4280	Managed Risk Me	edical Insurance Board
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Issue Description Assembly Senate Difference Conference Action

4280-101-0001 Managed Risk Medical Insurance Board

200 **Delete Funding for Healthy**

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Families Consumer
Assessment of Plans Survey.

Senate deleted \$500,000 (total funds) included in the budget for a consumer assessment survey for the Healthy Families Program since a survey has been done for the past three years.

(Reduction of \$325,000 from Item 4280-101-0890).

4280	Managed	Risk Medical	Insurance Board
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Issue	Description	Assembly	Senate	Difference	Conference Action
4280-	111-0236 Managed Risk Med	lical Insurance	Board		
204 and 205	Eliminate Special Reserve for Access for Infants and Mothers (AIM) Program to Backfill for General Fund Support in the State Hospitals.	0	-1,000,000	1,000,000	

Senate adopted LAO recommendation to repeal the \$1 million special reserve (a transfer from Proposition 99 Funds) to backfill for General Fund support in the DMH State Hospitals. The Governor's budget also uses \$5.9 million in Proposition 99 Funds to backfill for General Fund support in the State Hospitals but not from this special reserve.